TASK FORCE RUSSIA -- MEMORANDUM 21 JUNE 1994

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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Task Force Russia Biweekly Report

1. This report concludes the responsibilities of the U.S. Army and the transfer of Task Force Russia (TFR) to the Defense Department's newly-reorganized office of POW/MIA.

2. For more than a year the U.S. Army has been responsible for the administration and command of TFR. The task force has enjoyed the presence of outstanding military personnel and civilians. The Army as executive agent owes gratitude to the services for assigning such outstanding personnel to TFR. Our ranks have been further filled out by reservists called to active duty. This successful experience offers an outstanding example of the active and reserve components acting in unison to accomplish a challenging mission. Ambassador Toon, our Chairman, and the Commissioners have been patient and have supported TFR as the organization faced a range of challenges.

3. The most gratifying experience has been our dealings with the families. They have inspired us, provided us with useful information, and reminded us constantly that it is they whom we serve as well as our service members who want to know what to expect should they ever become POW/MIAs.

4. We owe our Russian colleagues--especially General Volkogonov- -gratitude for exposing us to the "new Russians" who want to cooperate and construct a close relationship with the United States.

5. The Army leadership, specifically MGEN Gorden, LTGEN Carney, and Assistant Secretary of the Army Mr. Clark were our "Godfathers" and TFR's most ardent supporters. To them, Airborne thanks.

"In service to our missing"

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